

REMARKS

The Examiner has restricted this application to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

Group I - Claims 1-10, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide, a recombinant vector, host cell/ plant comprising said polynucleotide, classified in class 800, subclass 279, for example.

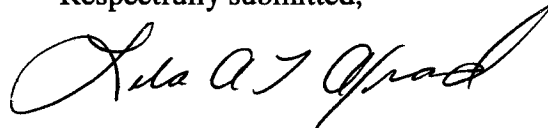
Group II - Claim 11, drawn to an isolated APAO polypeptide, classified in class 530, subclass 370, for example.

Applicants elect with traverse Group I, Claims 1-10, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide, a recombinant vector, host cell/ plant comprising said polynucleotide.

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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